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SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI :—" Is the journal 'New Education' published under the authority of the Director of Public Instruction, Madras? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" My friend may know it better. I do not have the information here."

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI :—" Sir, am I to understand from this statement that the original undertaking of the Government holds good and that teachers with Collegiate Trained Teachers' Certificates are eligible to become Headmasters of High schools even now? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I think the hon. Member can follow the answer which I had already given."

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI :—" Will the Government kindly see that a clarification is issued in the journal cancelling the original statement that was issued by them? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" That is what I had stated in the answer. The Principal has been asked to issue a correction."

Panchayat boards in Tanjore district

* 319 *Q.*—SRI T. M. DAIVASIKHAMANI ACHARIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether all the villages in Tanjore district having a population of 500 to 1,000 are administered by panchayat boards; and

(*b*) how many of them are provided with electricity and drinking water facilities?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASWAMI PADAYATCHI :—" (*a*) No, Sir.

" (*b*) Forty-three of them have been provided with electricity and 388 have been provided with drinking water facilities."

Grant of daily allowance to teachers in aided institutions who were posted for election duty at the recent District Board elections in the State.

* 320 *Q.*—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) the rates of daily allowance granted to teachers in aided institutions (elementary and secondary schools) who were posted for election duty at the recent District Board elections in the State;

(*b*) whether different rates of daily allowance have been granted to Government servants drawing the same salary; and

(*c*) if so, the reasons therefor?

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THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASWAMI PADAYATCHI :—" (*a*) The rates of daily allowance are as follows :—

(i) *For attending instruction classes.*—Subsistence allowance of 12 annas per meal and 8 annas for tiffin according to the period of absence, and actual conveyance charges.

(ii) *For polling duty*—

Teachers in aided elementary schools.—A daily allowance of Rs. 2 besides actual conveyance charges by bus or rail.

Teachers in secondary schools.—Travelling allowance appropriate to their status in life plus a daily allowance of Rs. 1–8–0 for every day of absence from the place of residence.

Where the polling station was within five miles radius from the person's residence, only the actual conveyance charge by the fastest vehicle available locally plus the subsistence allowance was allowed.

" (*b*) No Government servants drawing the same salary were allowed to draw daily allowance at the rate admissible to their respective grades under the Madras Travelling Allowance Rules.

" (*c*) Does not arise."

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI :—" May I know whether the Government have issued any circular to the sanctioning authorities on the lines just read out? "

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASWAMI PADAYATCHI :—" Yes, Sir."

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI :—" May I know, Sir, whether the Government would be prepared to entertain appeals from teachers if they have been paid contrary to these rules? "

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASWAMI PADAYATCHI :—" Yes, I shall examine them."

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III.—POINT OF ORDER *RE* CHANGE IN THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

* SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—" May I raise a point of order, Sir? In the original letter sent to hon. Members, it was stated that discussion on the Demands for Grants for excess expenditure in 1950–51 would take place on 8th August forenoon. But in the programme which was circulated yesterday, it is stated that the discussion would be on Saturday, the 6th August afternoon. Is it in order to alter the calendar of dates fixed for transaction of financial business? Hon. Members, I am sure, would like to be enlightened, if there are any special circumstances justifying the change in the date."

3–20 p.m. * THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, I may submit that according to the existing rules it is not the Governor but the Chairman that fixes the dates for this discussion. As hon.